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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1738

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by deleting Section 6(b) and substituting instead the following:

(b) For the purposes of subsection (a), responsibility for the AHEC Programs shall be as follows:

(1) Meharry Medical College -the middle grand division and the AHEC Program of the East Tennessee Area Health Education Center, Inc. which shall serve the counties of Anderson, Bledsoe, Blount, Bradley, Grundy, Hamilton, Knox, Loudon, Marion, McMinn, Meigs, Monroe, Polk, Rhea, Roan, Sequatchie, and Sevier.

(2) East Tennessee State University - the AHEC Program of the Northeast Tennessee Area Health Education Center shall serve the counties of Cambell, Carter, Claiborne, Cocke, Grainger, Greene, Hamblen, Hancock, Hawkins, Jefferson, Johnson, Morgan, Scott, Sullivan, Unicoi, Union, and Washington; and

(3) The University of Tennessee, Memphis - the western grand division.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting from Section 7(b), Section 8(a), (c), (d), (f), Section 9(b), and Section 10 the language "at Meharry" and substituting instead the language "of Meharry".

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting Section 11 and substituting instead the following:

The AHEC Programs of Meharry Medical College, East Tennessee State University, and the University of Tennessee, Memphis shall individually report to the department of health on an annual basis.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting Section 14 and substituting instead the following:

(a) The appropriation provided for the AHEC program in any fiscal year shall be as set in the general appropriations bill.

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(b) For fiscal years beginning on and after July 1, 1998, funds appropriated for the individual Area Health Education Center Programs shall be allocated as follows:

(1) Sixteen and two-thirds percent (16.67%) to East Tennessee State University for the Northeast Tennessee Area Health Education Center Program;

(2) Sixteen and two-thirds percent (16.67%) to Meharry Medical College for the East Tennessee Area Health Education Center Program;

(3) Thirty-three and one third percent (33.33%) to Meharry Medical College for the Middle Tennessee Area Health Education Center Program; and

(4) Thirty-three and one third percent (33.33%) to the University of Tennessee, Memphis for the West Tennessee Area Health Education Center Program.

From the funds appropriated, the institutions shall distribute not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the funds to the local AHEC programs. The institutions shall not require any organizational changes in the local AHEC programs unless federal law so requires such changes.

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